Mr. R. M. Statham (*Director of Public Instruction*): Two in all the colleges. One Vadhiryar in the undergraduate section of the Training College, and one Sambavar in the Senior Intermediate class of the Science College.

Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai: May I ask whether the students receive any concession from Government, and, if so, what it is?

Mr. R. M. Statham: The student in the Training College receives a stipend from Government; and the student in the Senior Intermediate class in the Science College has not got to pay any fees; he gets a full fee concession from the time he entered the college.

Surveyors engaged for tunnel work.

40. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the work of the Travancore surveyors and the contractors' surveyors appointed in connection with the tunnel survey, was satisfactory;

(*b*) whether it was due to the want of application from Travancoreans that the contractors' surveyors were also recruited; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the Travancore surveyor was paid Rs. 35 and the contractors' surveyor 300 and odd rupees?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon (*Electrical Engineer to Government*): May I answer in Malayalam, Sir?

President: Yes; a convention has been established.

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon: (*a*) The work of the surveyors employed was satisfactory. No contractors' surveyors were appointed.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*) this does not arise.

(*c*) Travancore surveyors were paid at the rate of Rs. 35 + 10 per mensem and in view of the reply to (*a*) the question of pay to the contractors' surveyors does not arise.

(The answer was read in Malayalam.)

Length of the tunnel to be constructed at Pallivasal.

41. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total length of the tunnel, in feet, as surveyed; and

(*b*) the length of the tunnel, in feet, when completed?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon: (*a*) 10,201 feet.

(*b*) 10,134 feet of tunnel and 192 feet of cut and cover.

(The answer was read in Malayalam)

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Mr. J. John Kattakayam : കട്ടം കവരും കൂടുതലായി നടത്തുന്നതിൽ വല്ല ഭേദഗതിയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : ടണൽ സംബന്ധിച്ച് കൂടുതലായി ഭേദഗതികൾ ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ല.

Appointment of a Mechanical and Electrical Engineer for tunnel works.

42. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether an officer who is a foreigner has been appointed as the Mechanical and Electrical Engineer in connection with the tunnel works ; and, if so, his pay per mensem ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : No.

(The answer was read in Malayalam.)

Coolies engaged for tunnel work.

43. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Travancoreans working under the contractors ; and

(*b*) the number of foreign coolies in each grade, and their wages ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon: (*a*) 186.

(*b*) A *statement is placed on the table.

(The answer was read in Malayalam.)

Mr. J. John Kattakayam : മേശപ്പുറത്തു വച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു എന്നു പറഞ്ഞതു് എന്താണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : അതു് ഒരു സ്റ്റോറ മെൻറാണു്. അതു് രണ്ടുമൂന്നുപേജു് ഉണ്ടു്.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam : മേലാലെങ്കിലും സ്വദേശികളെത്തന്നെ നിയമിക്കുമോ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : മേലാൽ മാത്രമല്ല ഇപ്പോൾതന്നെയും അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്തുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണു്.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam : ഇപ്പോൾ ന്യൂനപക്ഷം സ്വദേശികളല്ലെ ഉള്ളതു്?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : അല്ല.

Deputation of the Resident Engineer to Pykhara.

44. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

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